DOE Coordination Meeting



DOE FE DG Program

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Office of Fossil Energy





Fuel Cells Program Mission/Goals

- Mission: Ensure the widespread deployment of clean distributed generation fuel cells, hybrid and novel generation technology
 - Lower cost & higher reliability
- Program Strategic Performance Goals
 - Fuel Cell 10-fold cost reduction (\$400/kW) with 45-50% efficiency
 - Hybrids with 60-70% efficient
 adaptable for coal gas







DG Fuel Cell Program Areas



SECA

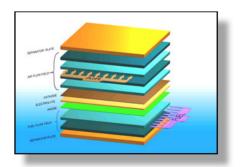


Tubular SOFC/Vision 21 Hybrids



Molten Carbonate

Advanced Research (Electrochemical Engineering)



Tubular Solid Oxide Fuel Cells



2002

- 47% efficiency
- > \$10,000/kW
- 100-220kW
- 20,000 hrs operation at 100-kW

2003-2008

- **Near-term DG market**
- 47-63% efficiency
- Munhall, PA 15MW/yr manufacturing facility (\$4500/kW)
- 250kW 550kW
- \$1,000-\$1,500/kW





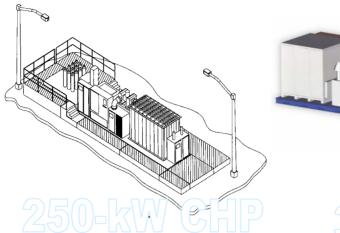
SWPC Demonstration Units

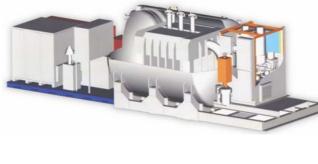


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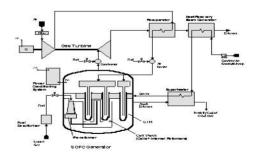


NFCRC/Southern California Edison





320-kW GG



150-kW Carbon Sequistration



Molten Carbonate Fuel Cells





2002

- Demonstration
- 47% efficiency
- \$2,500-5,000/kW
- 250kW
- Internal reforming
- Torrington, CT manufacturing facility 50MW/year



2003-2008

- Near-term DG market
- 54% efficiency
- \$1,000-1,500/kW
- 250kW-3MW

FCE Direct Fuel Cell Demonstrations

• 250-kw units

- Bielefeld, Mercedes, LADWP,
 Thermie, Rhoen-Klinikum 12, 250kW's
- Diesel Bath Maine 500kW

1-MW units

King County Digester Gas

• 2-MW Units

Kentucky Clean Coal





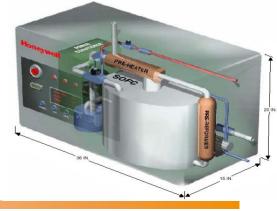
SECA Program Status

- SECA and SECA Hybrids and Zero Emission Systems major Focus of DOE Fossil Energy Program
- Now 6 SOFC SECA Industry Teams
- Program in place
- Making technical progress
- Implementation as planned
 - SECA Industry Teams
 - All doing stack design and testing in FY2003
 - Exploring system design concepts and tradeoffs
 - Six industry teams awarded
 - Coordination with DOD (ARL, TACOM, DARPA, DOD CERL, NAVSEA, ONR), CEC, NASA, NIST, NYSERDA, Ohio Dept. of Dev..

Core Program

- In-place at universities and national laboratories
- Attacking priority mission critical issues within funds provided
- Tech transfer to industry teams occurring





SECA: A Route to Making Fuels Cells a Reality



2005

- 1st Generation products
 - Premium power
 - Truck APU's
 - RV's
 - Military

2010

- \$400/kW
- Commercial products
 - Residential, commercial, industrial CHP
 - -Transportation APUs



2015

- \$400/kW
- Hybrid systems
 - -60-70% efficient
- Coal power plants



SECA INDUSTRIAL TEAMS





SIEMENS Westinghouse







Stacks provided by Global Thermoelectric







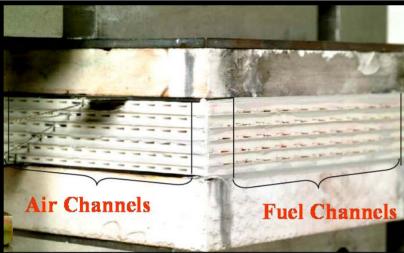








Cummins - SOFCo



5-cell Crossflow Stack

Catalytic Partial Oxidation







Delphi - Battelle



Compact, light, low-cost systems for transportation

Generation 2 APU

Two 15-cell stacks
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Balance of Plant

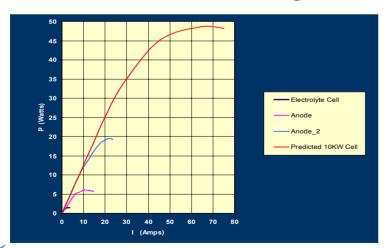


Acumentrics

Anode supported

Tubular SOFC Systems

- 45 minute start-up
- Excellent cycle capability
- Excellent load following
- Low pressure gas feed
- Direct in-cell reforming



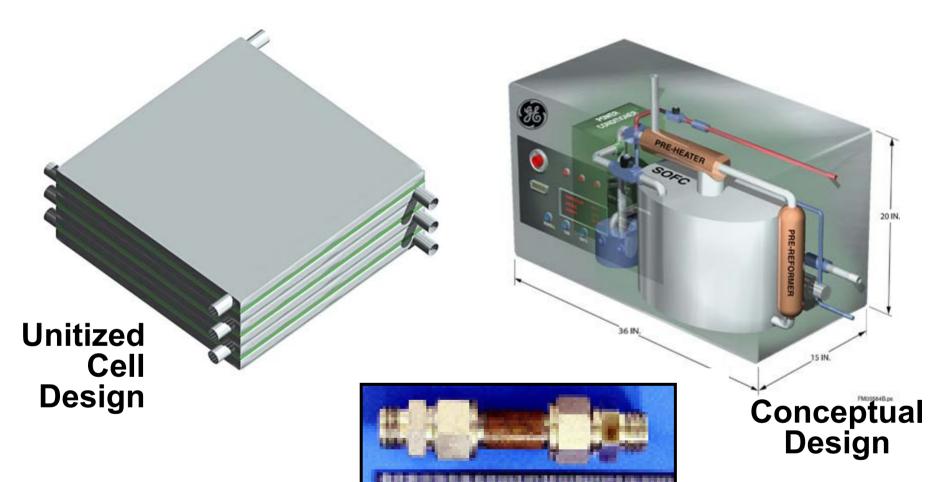
5,000 Watt

APU Core Module



Q4 - 2002

General Electric



1-kW Catalytic Partial Oxidation

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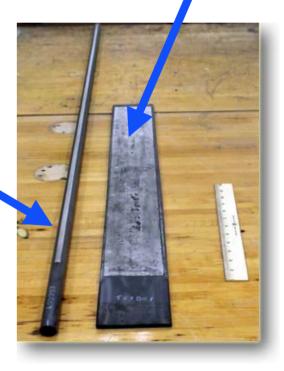
Siemens Westinghouse





Tubular cell

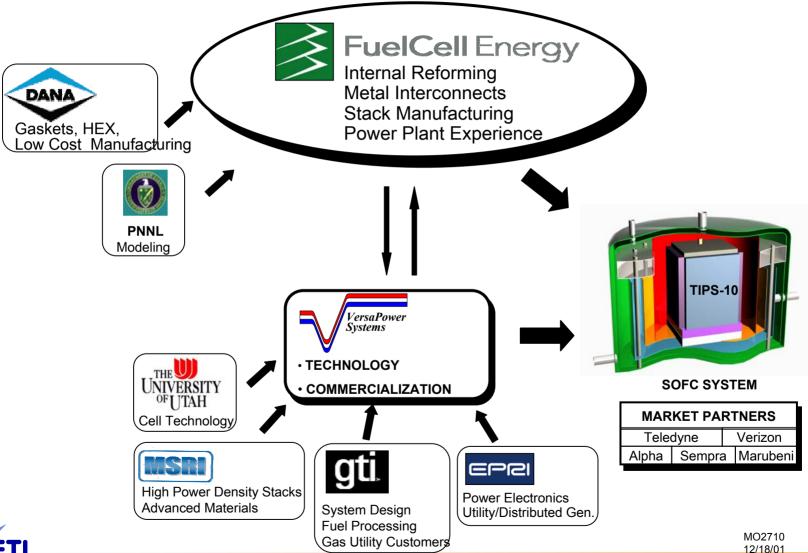
5 kW Prototype





FCE-VPS Team Members

VPS is the joint venture between FCE, GTI, EPRI, MSRI and UU





Other Pathways to High Volume With Help from our Friends



























Vision 21 Hybrids

Siemens Westinghouse

- Operated > 2,000 hours at sub-MW scale
- 52% efficiency

FuelCell Energy

- Operated >6,700 hours at sub-MW scale
- 52% efficiency
- Design of 40 MW plant

General Electric

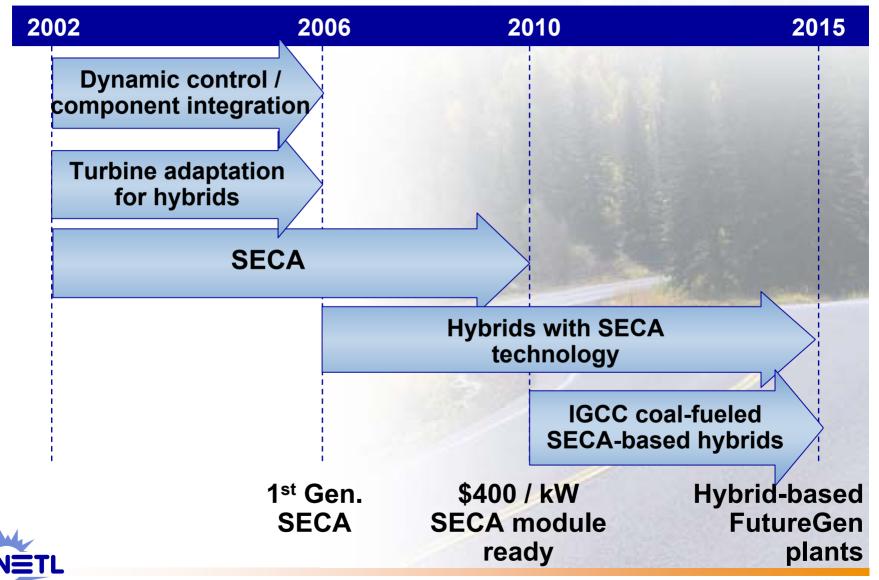
Estimated efficiency 67%







SECA: Key Part of Larger Fossil Energy Program



A Vision for 2015

Putting the Pieces Together



SECA-Based Hybrids

Gasification with



FutureGen Power Plants





Optimized Turbines



Carbon Sequestration



System Integration

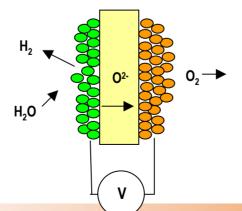


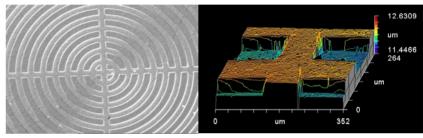
High Temperature Electrochemistry Center

Purpose

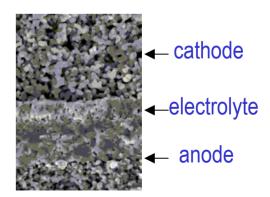
- Conduct fundamental studies of processes in high temperature electrochemical systems not currently addressed in the SECA program.
- Establish a unique research facility equipped with advanced diagnostics to support fundamental studies.
- □ Establish collaborative research with universities.

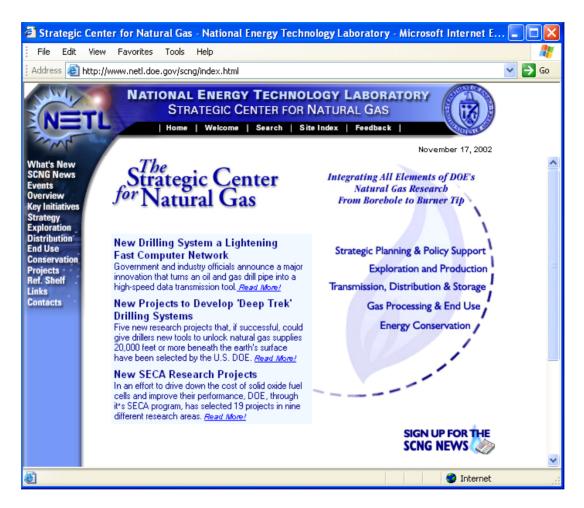
"Reversible" solid oxide fuel cell could produce hydrogen from water during periods of excess grid capacity, and produce electricity later from the stored hydrogen.





Novel electrode structures allow role of microstructure and catalytic activity to be distinguished.





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Advanced Research - Fuel Cell and Electrochemical Energy Conversion Technology at HiTEC

Electrochemical energy conversion technology:

- -Reversible/regenerable fuel cells
- High temperature electrolysers
- -Electrochemical energy storage

HiTEC

- -PNNL
- -MSU





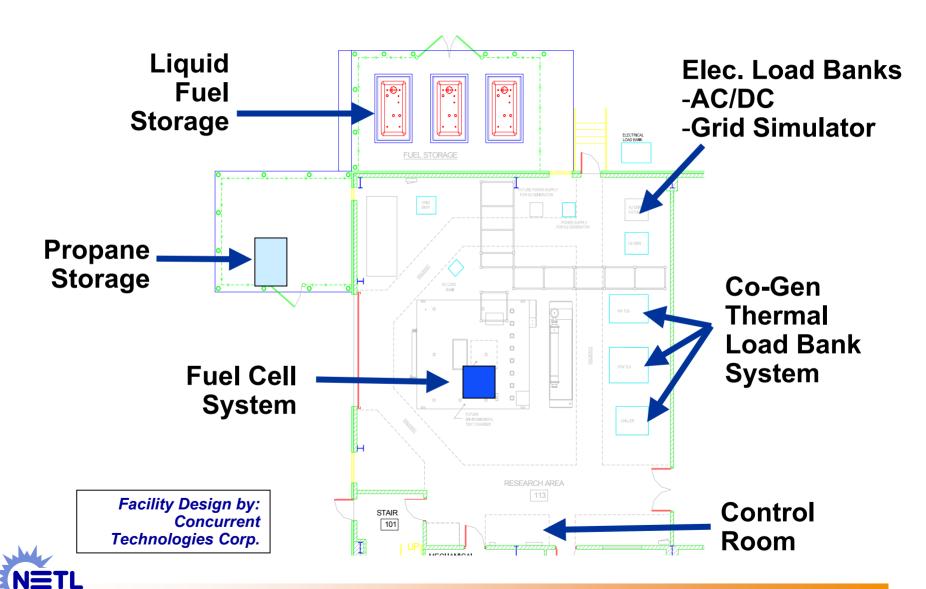
Highlights: Core Technology Program

- Glass and mica compressive seal characterization
- Inexpensive Ferritic alloy interconnect characterization
- Fuel cell models available
- Material structural characterization
- Mixed conducting cathodes, LaSrFeOx
- Cathode microstructure optimization
- Cathode mechanism intermediates identified
- Metal oxide anode material-promising S, C,O tolerance
- Low temperature bi-layer and ultra-thin electrolytes
- Efficient DC-DC converter designed
- Developing lower cost consistent materials

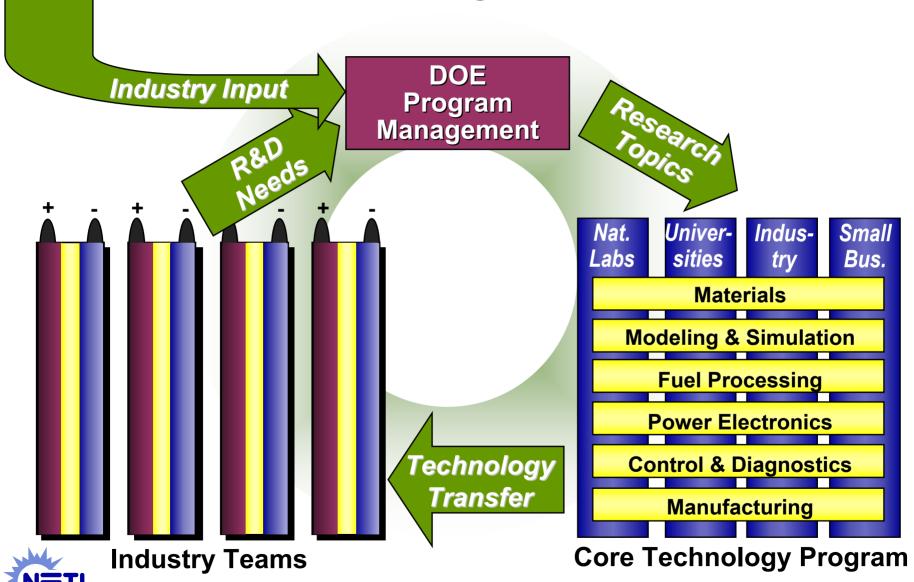
Current Priorities: Core Technology Program

	What	How
1	Gas seals	Glass and compressive seals
1	Interconnect	Modifying components in alloysCoatings
2	Modeling	Models with electrochemistryStructural characterization
2	Cathode performance	 Micro structure optimization Mixed conduction Interface modification
2	Anode/ fuel processing	 Metal oxides with interface modification Catalyst surface modification Characterize thermodynamics/kinetics
3	Power electronics	Direct DC to AC conversionDC to DC design for fuel cells
4	Material cost	Lower cost precursor processingCost model methodology

NETL's SECA Test Facility



SECA Program Structure



5-kW SOFC Cost Breakdown

Total Cost: \$372/kW

